

No. 15705. CONVENTION ON ROAD TRAFFIC. CONCLUDED AT VIENNA ON 8 NOVEMBER 1968¹

RATIFICATION

Instrument deposited on:

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BRAZIL

(With effect from 29 October 1981.)

(With reservations to the following articles and annex: article 20, paragraph 2 (a) and (b); article 23, paragraph 2 (a); article 40; article 41, paragraph 1 (a), (b) and (c) (partial reservation); annex 5, paragraph 5 (c); and annex 5, paragraphs 28, 39 and 41 (partial reservations).)

In a letter accompanying the instrument of ratification, the Government of Brazil made the following declarations as regards the partial reservations contained in the said instrument:

(a) Brazil's partial reservation to chapter IV (Drivers of Motor Vehicles), article 41 (Validity of Driving Permits), paragraphs 1(a), (b), and (c), refers to the fact that drivers issued permits in left-hand drive countries cannot drive in Brazil before taking a road test for right-hand driving.

(b) The partial reservation to Annex 5 (Technical Conditions Concerning Motor Vehicles and Trailers), chapter II (Lights and reflecting devices), paragraph 28, is against the triangular form of the reflex reflectors required for every trailer, inconvenient for Brazil since the triangular shape is used for emergency signal devices to alert drivers ahead on the road.

(c) In Annex 5, chapter II, paragraph 39, Brazil's reservation refers solely to the amber colour of the direction-indicators, since only red lights should be used at the rear of vehicles.

(d) The partial reservation made to Annex 5, paragraph 41, refers to the fact that in Brazil reversing lights fitted on motor vehicles shall emit only white light.

Furthermore, the Government of Brazil made the following declarations:

—Pursuant to the provisions of chapter IV, article 41, paragraph 2 (b), Brazil refuses to recognize the validity in its territory of driving permits held by persons under eighteen years of age.

—Pursuant to the provisions of chapter IV, article 41, paragraph (c), Brazil, referring to annexes 6 and 7 covering models of domestic driving permits, refuses to recognize the validity in its territory for the driving of motor vehicles or combinations [of] vehicles in Categories C, D, and E of driving permits held by persons under twenty-one years of age.

—Pursuant to the provisions of articles 37 and 45, paragraph 4, as well as of Annex 3, Brazil declares that the distinguishing sign selected by Brazil for display in international traffic on vehicles registered in Brazil will continue to consist of the letters "BR"

—Pursuant to the provisions of article 54, paragraph 2, Brazil hereby declares that for the purposes of the application of this Convention, it treats mopeds as motor cycles (article 1 (n)).

Registered ex officio on 29 October 1980.

¹ United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1042, p. 17, and annex A in volumes 1050, 1055, 1057, 1090, 1092, 1098, 1120, 1162 and 1183.